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AT THE CAPITOL.

vorable to Popularity-A

Pertinent Story.

democrats now, in connection with the can-didacy of Admiral Dewey, the fact is grad-

ceptable to the party, there are some in

superable objections to putting him at the head of the ticket or in second place.

In discussing this subject, democrats point out the fact that opposition to militarism

is to be one of the strong planks in the

democratic platform. How, then, they say,

can they consistently rally around a man

who is the personification of militarism

In Admiral Dewey's case, it is claimed,

oward unreasonable exclusiveness.

Habits which in the admiral would b

ame to dealing with men as the head of a

olitical party.

While democratic politicians of influence

While democratic politicians of influence are by no means inclined to take his candidacy seriously, his projection of himself into the political ring has brought him into the range of discussion, which up to this time partakes mainly of the character of unfavorable criticism.

A Pertinent Story.

"Admiral Dewey's self-appointed candi-

dacy for the presidency reminds me of a

little incident which occurred in one of my campaigns," said a western representative

e a Star reporter today. "I had stopped

for supper at the house of a constituent,

wants him. The republicans don't want him because he is a democrat; the demo-crats don't want him because he is a gold standard man and stands for the spirit of

militarism. It seems to me that it is another case of 'I dunno who'd a' been 'er.' "

OLEOMARGARINE BILL.

Efforts of the Bogus Butter Men to

When the House committee on agricul-

ture met this morning Mr. Neville of Ne

braska served notice that he proposes at

next Wednesday's meeting to offer a mo-

tion fixing a date when the eleomargarine

hearings shall cease and a vote taken on

Mr Williams of Mississippi gave notice

that he would oppose the motion to suspend

Today's occurrence was the initial move

in the effort which the friends of the pro-

ducers and consumers of butter will make to get the bill before the House at an early

the bill from being called up for action. It is alleged that after the bill has been

raffic in oleomargarine. If such a motion were carried it would mean another vexa-

tious delay and more hearings.

The advocates of the bill, however, think

that they can muster a safe majority in the House for the bill if they can only suc-ceed in getting it out of committee.

Naval Orders.

Commissions have been issued to Lieu

enant Commander W. S. Horg Lieutenant

(junior grade) W. S. Turpin and Lieutenant

Lieutenant Commander D. H. Mahan has

been detached from the Brooklyn and or-

Lieutenant Commander E. F. Qualtrough

from special duty at Elizabethport, N. J.

to the Chicago, relieving Lieutenant Com-mander W. F. Low, who is ordered home

on waiting orders.

Lieutenant A. Gleaves, from the Wash-

ington navy yard to duty with the Alabama, at Cramp's yard.

Lieutenant J. P. McGuinness, to the In-

ependence. Ensign J. H. Roys, to the Kearsarge.

Cadet C. W. Forman, to the Iowa.

Assistant Naval Constructor W. G. Du
Bose, from the bureau of construction and

epair to the Portsmouth navy yard.

Assistant Paymaster H. R. Insley, to the

Asiatic station.
Chaplain W. R. Morrison, from the Monongahela to the Richmond.

Sullivan M. Cutcheon Dead.

DETROIT, Mich., April 18.-Sullivan M.

Cutcheon, ex-speaker of the Michigan house

of representatives, and prominent in local

business circles, died at his residence here early this morning, aged sixty-seven years, Mr. Cutcheon was born in Pembroke, N. H.

Students Drowned in the Rhine.

which were twenty members of the Catholi

river Rhine yesterday from this place to Ruedesheim, was capsized and thirteen of its occupants were drowned.

Steamship Arrival.

At New York-Amsterdam, from Rotter-

At Moville-Ethiopia, from New York for

At Glasgow-Sarmatian, from New York

At Bremen-Kaiser Withelm der Groose

from New York via Cherbourg and South

At Rotterdam-Rotterdam, from New York.

E. F. Acheson Nominated.

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 18.-The twenty

fourth Pennsylvania congressional district convention met here today and unanimous-ly nominated E. F. Acheson.

Grecian, from Philadelphia.

Glasgow.

BINGEN, April 18.-A boat, on board of

Association, while crossing the

lered to the Yokohama hospital.

H. Hough.

report the bill

rampant?

WASHINGTON, D. C., WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18, 1900-FOURTEEN PAGES.

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## WARREN IN DISGRACE

Persistent Rumor That He Has Been Ordered Home.

CRITICISMS DISCUSSED

Sentiment in London That Gen. Buller Should Resign.

COLONEL DALGETTY'S LOSSES

LONDON, April 18.-It is persistently stated in military circles that Lieut. Gen. Sir Charles Warren, the commander of the 5th Division of the South African field force, has been ordered to return home.

It is said that a peremptory order for Gen. Warren's return was cabled to South Africa this morning. Lord Roberts' criticisms of Gen. Buller, Gen. Warren and Col. Thorneycroft continue topics of acute interest. All the afternoon papers comment at length on the strictures of the British commander-in-

chief in South Africa, taking the same ines as the morning papers, praising Lord Roberts for his frankness and speculating upon what the publication of the dispatches it the present moment portends. Some of them maintain there is nothing left for Gen. Buller but to resign. The St. James Gazette is particularly scathing. Refer-ring to Gen. Buller's report, it says:

Gazette's Scathing Criticism. "Never in the history of armies did it happen that generals scribbled their consions of failure and defeat, of useless deaths of men and of discredit to the flag in a manner which suggests a careful se-lection from the forced jocularity of the

lection from the forced jocularity of the funny man, the slangy chatter of the horsey woman and the gabble of the smoking room late in the evening."

The Giobe dec ares that a "more pitiable record of indecision in plan and confusion in execution we have seldom read," and adds that what little reputation General Bullor had left has been scattered to the Buller had left has been scattered to the

winds,
Practically no devolopments have been
reported so far in today's South African
cables. A dispatch from Warrenton, dated
Tuesday. April 17, says:
"Finding the Boers busy making new
trenches we exploded lyddite shells, following up those with the Maxims. The enemy's ambulance was afterward observed
on the spat."

From Wepener there is nothing later than Lord Roberts' message of yesterday, and, presumably neither side has gained any particular advantage at any point in the theater of war since the last official Wepener there is nothing later tches were received.

COLONEL DALGETTY'S CASUALTIES. He Had Twenty Men Killed and 100

MASERU, April 17 .- Col. Dalgetty's casualties since he has been besi-ged at Wepener have been twenty killed and 100 wounded. The Boer losses are reported to have been considerably heavier.

After the night attack on April 12 the lead were left on the field, where they still lie unburied.

There is a conflict of opinion among the leaders. Some want to attack again, while others refuse to do so. Desultory cannon firing and "sniping" continue. The Caledon is rising, which alarms the

Boers, who are now on both sides of the river and might be cut off if the stream should become floored.

Five Boer guns are believed to be disabled.

Relief for Kumassie

ACCRA, British Gold Coast Colony, April 17.-The relieving force which started recently for Kumassle in consequence of tribal uprising in Ashanti is probably well on its way toward its destination, but it is reported that the Ashantis will attack the governor before it arrives. Commissions for Canadians

OTTAWA, Ont., April 18.-The imperial government has decided to give twentyfour out of the forty-four commissions t be granted to Canadians in the regular army to officers and non-commissio eers serving in South Africa. Six commissions will be given to Canadian gentlemen, and this, with the fourteen which have gone to the Royal Military College, Kingston, will make forty-four in all. Lord Roberts will send the names of twenty-four of those in South Africa whom he recommends as candidates for commis-

## THE PORTE IS OBDURATE.

Turkish Government Insists on Increasing Duty on Imports

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 17.-The ports today replied to the third of the collective notes of the powers on the subject of an increase of 3 per cent in duty. The note announces the intention of the government to adhere to the plan of increasing the duties on account of the bad condition of Turkish finances.

The ambassadors have decided to address another note to the porte again stating the objections to such an increase without a previous understanding with the powers. The tenacity of the porte threatens to

have serious results.

STRIKE SETTLEMENT IN PROSPECT. Cleveland Machinists and the Mann-

facturers in Conference.

nongahela to the Richmond.

Warrant Machinist A. T. Percival, from
the Pensacola to the Solace. CLEVELAND, Ohlo, April 18.-All indications point toward a change in the situation of the machinists' strike in this city

within the next few days. H. L. Devens of New York, the secre tary of the National Metal Trades' Assoclation, is here in conference with leading

manufacturers.

The strikers cling to their original asser-

The strikers cling to their original assertion that no outside machinists can be obtained, and think that Mr. Devens' presence in Clevelsind is significant. Information from a reliable source is to the effect that Mr. Devens is to have a conference with Grand President O'Connell of the International Association of Machinists at New York within the next few days.

HEAVY LOSSES OF LIVE STOCK Recent Storms in Colorado Strike

DENVER, Col., April 18.-Reports from the grazing regions indicate that heavy losses of live stock will result from the prolonged rain and snow storm. It is esti-mated that the losses of sheep in the vicin-ity of Trinidad alone will aggregate 20,000

F. L. Blendilger Appointed. CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 18.-President Roberts of the Eric railroad has appointed P. L. Biendilger to be superintendent of tel-egraph, with offices in New York, in place of W. J. Holmes, deceased.

## THE ADMIRAL'S CANDIDACY WANT BUSINESS MEN

TALK ABOUT IT AMONG DEMOCRATS People of Honolulu Object to President Dole's Appointments. His Personal Characteristics Not Fa-

ALL HIS SELECTIONS LAWYERS

In the talk around the Capitol among Court to Adjust Claims Arising From Burning Chinatown. ually becoming apparent that even if Admiral Dewey had a policy which was ac-

JAPANESE LABORERS STRIKE

HONOLULU, April 10, via San Francisco April 18.-By an executive order dated April 2 President Dole has, by authority of President McKinley, appointed a court of commissioners to take evidence of losses caused by the burning of Chinatown in Honolulu, and to make awards and judgnents of such losses. The members of the court are J. Alfred Magoon, George A. Davis, Lorrin Andrews, A. Nao Kepokai and Alfred A. Judd, jr., all members of the

In Admiral Dewey's case, it is claimed, it would not be the elevation of a military hero from the volunteer ranks, but the pacing in power of a man who was bred to militarism, whose whole life has been spent in its atmosphere, and who knows no law but the authority of the quarter-deck and the subservience of the forecastie. The announcement of their appointmen The Admiral's Personal Characterwas not received with general satisfaction by the community, as it is considered that In this connection, there is a great deal of business men should be represented on the alk about Admiral Dewey's personal char-

acteristics. Stories are going around of a The chamber of commerce has protested high temper, and a pronounced disposition against the court. The Japanese and Chinese residents, in mass meeting, have de-nounced it, and finally the council of state Habits which in the admiral would be overlooked as the peculiarities of the old scadog are in the candidate for civil office brought into conspicuousness and criticised. It is alleged that the admiral carries his quarter-deck manners into civil life, and among people who resent them. Politicians say that he would be "impossible" when it came to dealing with men as the head of a has refused to appropriate the money necessary for the court to carry on its work.

Discussed at Cabinet Meeting.

At the meeting of the cabinet today the matter of the court was discussed at length, following which Mr. Magoon was sent for Mr. Dole stated to him that the council of state having assumed responsibility of stopping the operations of the court the execu-tive considered that the remaining re-sponsibility should rest with that body, and would advise adjournment subject to the call of President Magoon, and that there should be no expense incurred pending the appropriation to meet obligations. Three claims had been filed and others were expected. About 1,000 blanks had been dis-

tributed.

Mr. Dole stated that it was the wish of the executive that all operations be discontinued. Mr. Magoon answered that this would be satisfactory to the commissioners.

"I will certainly not ask the members of for supper at the house of a constituent, and as Brother Jones was carving the fried beefsteak and helping out the ham I noticed his three bright-eyed little boys en the other side of the table.

"All boys, eh? I said; 'enough for one of them to have been a girl.' Then up spake little Tommy, with great indignation:

"Well, I dunno who'd have been her: Pete, he wouldn't a' been 'er, Jim wouldn't a' been 'er, and I know durn well I wouldn't a' been 'er.'

"As for Admiral Dewey, I don't know who wants him. The republicans don't want the court of claims to resign," said President Dole. But notwithstanding the presi dent's desire not to change the court, it is believed that public opinion will compel him to change his mind.

Strike Among Japanese Laborers. A strike, involving 2,000 Japanese labor ers, is in progress on the Pioneer plantation at La Haina. The cause of the trouble sion among the Japanese that the authorities did not make sufficient investigation into the cause of the deaths of three Jap into the cause of the deaths of three Japanese recently killed in the Pioneer mill. So far there has been no violence, the men simply refusing to work. Two influential men have gone from here to pacify the laborers.

Robert Hoapli Kekaipukala Baker of the royal family of Leliua of Hawaii died April 4, and was buried yesterday.

DECLINES TO EXPRESS OPINION.

Ex-President Harrison Will Not Discuss Change in Creed.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 18.-Ex-Pres ident Harrison will leave here today for New York to preside over the ecumenical council which opens Saturday. Gen. Harrison will deliver the opening address, but his private secretary said Mr. Harrison proposed change in the Presbyterian creed, but would confine himself to the general work of the council. Gen. Harrison declined to express his views upon the creed ques

## to get the bill before the House at an early date. The dairymen are convinced, it is said, that the oleomargarine manufacturers are playing for delay, hoping to drag the bill along in committee until the session draws near a close and the pressure for other legislation will aid them in keeping BOY KILLED BY DYNAMITE. He Was Playing With the Stuff When Special Dispatch to The Evening Star. It is alleged that after the ball has been pulled out of the committee on agricultura; the oleomargarine men will demand that it be referred to the committee on interstate and foreign commerce, because of the clause of the bill relating to interstate traffic to oleomargarine. If such a matical

FREDERICK, Md., April 18.-The eleven year-old son of Mr. Edward Fogle of Woodsboro', Frederick county, was instantly killed yesterday afternoon by the explosion of stick of dynamite with which he was playing. Mr. Fogle had been blowing ou stumps, and had left a stick of the explosive lying on a stump, where the little fellow found it and began throwing it into the The employes were startled by the report of the explosion, and when they looked around the boy was lying some distance away, literally torn to pieces. A part of his face, an arm and a leg were torn off. Another boy who was standing near had his fingers torn off by the trunk of a tree which was hurled over his head.

### HAD A PLEASANT CRUISE. Training Ship Monongahela Arrive

pecial Dispatch to The Evening Star. FORT MONROE, Va., April 18.-The raining ship Monongahela arrived at noon eturning from her West Indian cruise with he gunnery class of naval apprentices aboard. The ship has a clean bill of health and will not be detained. She had a pleas-ant voyage—quite different from her last summer's cruise with the naval cadets

MRS. ELIZA CHRISMAN'S WILL.

Greater Part of a Large Fortune Left to Colleges.
TOPEKA, Kan., April 18.—The will of

Mrs. Eliza Chrisman, who died in Topeka recently, has been filed in the probate court. She bequeaths the greater part of a fortune estimated at \$250,000, for the founding of centingent on the Methodist churches of Kansas raising an equal amount within ter years. Mrs. Chrisman leaves \$35,000 cash o the Ohio Wesleyan University, \$5,000 for a new parsonage for the First Methodist Church of Topeka and \$3,000 to the Women's Missionary Society. The will provides that the Rev. A. S. Embree, her former pastor, shall be administrator of the estate, at a salary of \$5,000 per year

Laylin Has a Walkover. Special Dispatch to The Evening Star.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 18.-John R Malloy, who is managing the interests of L. C. Lavlin, candidate for the nomination for secretary of state, says Laylin will have not less than 600 votes on the firs ballot, if a ballot is necessary. It is generally thought here now, however, t Howard Mannington's name will not presented to the convention.

More Reports of Bubonic Plague. CAIRO, April 18.-The bubonic plague eported to have made its appearance at veral ports on the Red sea. SIMLA, April 18.-The deaths from plague throughout India during the past week slightly decreased in number, but the aggre-gate is still upward of 4,000.

WAR SEEMS INEVITABLE WORKING ON THE DAM

RUSSIA AND JAPAN ON BRINK OF RUPTURE.

Differences Are in the Last Stage of Hard Diplomatic Fight at Seoul.

YOKOHAMA, March 31, via San Francisco, April 18.—If the quick and steady dispatch of telegrams from Korea mean aught of a really serious nature, the in-ference would be that Japan and Russia are on the verge of war. Outwardly, how-ever, there is absolute calm and the tone of the press is but slightly bellicose. The present opinion of the community seems to be that, as the conflict is inevitable, the sooner it occurs the better it will be for Japan. The latter, with her great fleet far superior to that of the enemy in those waters, would make short work of Russia's naval force, and command the situation for the time at least, with all the advan-tages which an added prestige would con-fer. But as in all such crises, in view of what modern war is now known to entail, there is extreme reluctance on the part of either government to take the decisive

step. Russia demands a concession of territory Russia demands a concession of territory near Masampo, or, as an alternative, the Island of Kotokuk. Either would be a standing menace to Japan, and one of the hardest diplomatic fights is now on at Seoul. It is deemed by many to be significant that the whereabouts and movements of Japan's fleet of sixty vessels are veiled in the greatest secrecy. That they will be within easy striking distance of the "scene of war" may easily be surmised.

The report of the Yokohama foreign chamber of commerce just made public is notable, inasmuch as it calls attention in a very forcible way to the causes of the decline of Japanese trade, attributing it largely to the dishonesty of the native business methods and uttering a warning note against entailing a further loss of the vertice medit if they are persisted in

note against entailing a further loss of th nation's credit if they are persisted in. In native business circles there is a no In native ousiness circles there is a no-ticeably strong tendency toward the for-mation of trusts. For a nation which has heretofore done business on the smallest and on an almost purely individual basis, this movement, if carried out, means noth-ing less than an economic revolution of enormous significance.

SURVEY OF THE ISTHMUS

G. S. MORRISON TALKS OF THE COMMISSION'S WORK.

NEW YORK, April 18.-George S. Morri son of New York, the last of the isthmian canal commissioners to return to the United States, was a passenger on the steamship Finance, which arrived today. Mr. Mor rison remained in order to complete th survey of the Isthmus of Darien. Mr. Morrison said today that he had inspected th entire Atlantic side of the isthmus and that the result of his work would be embodie in the report of the commission. He said:

"There remains a great deal of work to be done by the commission down there, and though perhaps the entire commission might not go back to Central America, it is probable that some of the members may

go down again."

When asked as to the report that the surveying party on the isthmus had had trouble with the natives, Commissioner Mor rison laughed and said:

rison laughed and said:

"I knew that such a report had reached this country and this is the way it happened to get in circulation. The head of one of the surveying parties had an idea that the party was going to have trouble with the natives before he went into Darien, and so he went in looking for trouble. It was reported that the natives caused the party much annoyance and alarm by hombarding the camp at night. Well, I have some of the bombs with me now. They are the nuts which grow in clusters on the palm trees down there. They dropped off They dropped off the strees on the tents at night and that accounts for the story that there was trouble with the natives."

## COLSON FIRED FIRST SHOT.

Testimony of Captain Golden in the Trial at Frankfort.

FRANKFORT, Ky., April 18.—The tak-ing of testimony in the trial of Col. Colson, charged with killing Lieut, Scott and L. W. Demarce at the Capital Hotel here commenced today in the circuit court. The first witness introduced by the common wealth was Capt. B. B. Golden, who was badly wounded during the duel, and who is supposed to have entered the hotel office with Scott. Golden testified at length a to his whereabouts before the shooting. Golden said he left Scott at the ciga stand and started across the office to the main entrance. Witness did not know

whether Scott was following him or not When near the door he saw Colson arise from his chair and heard some one moving rapidly behind him.

"Colson took steady aim and fired the first shot," said the witness, "but I don't know who fired the second. I was shot in the back while trying to get out of the room."

In the cross-examination nothing new was brought out, and after two hours of INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 18.-Charle

the stand Captain Golden was excused. Finley Will Return to Kentucky. Finley, ex-secretary of the state of Kentucky, who has been in this city for sev eral weeks, and who was recently indicted in Kentucky for alleged complicity in the Goebel shooting, said today:

"I intend to return to Kentucky and fac the indictment against me. I am not will ing to go back now and be thrown into jail but when the time for the trial comes shall go back and defend myself agains the unjust charges they have brough

Awheel Through the Black Forest. Second Assistant Secretary of State Alve A. Adee will leave Washington tenight fo two months' tour in northern Europe He sails from New York tomorrow on th Columbia for Cherbourg. He purposes mak ing a tour awheel in northern France along the Rhine and through the Black Forest, returning to Washington about July 1. Mr. Adee is in search of recreation and pleasure, and goes to Europe absolutely free from any diplomatic mission.

State Department Promotions. The recent death of Mr. William C. May of Virginia, a \$1,400 clerk in the State Department, has caused the following prom tions in that department: Edwin Tarriss of the District of Columbia, from \$1,200 to \$1,400; Mrs. Louisa A. Pratt of Massachu-setts, from \$1,000 to \$1,200; Miss Mary K Letterman of New York, from \$900 to \$1,000

To Speak at Guilford, N. C. Gen. H. V. Boynton has accepted an invitation to attend the annual Fourth of July celebration at the Guilford battlefield, Guilford Court House, N. C., and to deliver the address of the occasion. Gen. Joseph Wheeler has also been invited and is exwheeler has also been invited and is ex-pected to attend. The invitations were ex-tended through Col. James E. Boyd, assist-ant attorney general. Col. Boyd is one of the officials of the corporation which keeps the famous battlefield of the revolution in

Troops Guard Men Who Took Places of Strikers.

LATTER MADE NO OPPOSITION

Supply Quieting Down.

Situation at New York City's Water

GENERAL ROE IN COMMAND

CROTON LANDING, N. Y., April 18.-II accordance with the promise made last night by Gen. Roe, in command of the troops, work was resumed today at the Cornell dam. The strikers made no opposition. About 200 men reported for duty. Of this number about 50 were stonemasons while the others were laborers and mer who work on the little quarry trains.

None of the men who reported for duty were strikers, and there still remain out between 400 and 500, mostly Italians. Of the 50 stonemasons who returned to work 16 were Italians. As the men were assembling at the works

Separate Companies A and B made a demonstration on the hill. This was done to assure the strikers that the soldiers were ready for any emergency.

Escort for the Teams.

After a consultation with Superintendent Gouldborough Gen. Roe detailed a platoon of Troop C of Brooklyn to act as a convoy to the teams which were set to work carting cement from the wharf to the Cornell dam a distance of about three miles. Gen. Roe gave special attention to watching the progress of this work, as the strikers had announced that they would not permit any cement to be carted from the wharf to the About thirty teams loaded with cement

started from the wharf, escorted by the cavalrymen. The journey to the works was made without the strikers attempting

was made without the strikers attempting to interfere.

Up to 10 o'clock the platoons of the 7th Regiment which were stalled yesterday in a railroad wreck at Ardsley had not reached Cornell dam. It was reported that the men of the 7th would go to Croton dam to await further orders. Sentry Fires on Three Men.

Corporal James O'Brien of Troop C, who was on guard at the cable anchorage, cha!lenged three men at daylight this morning. They ran away and O'Brien fired at them, but did not find a target. The fire was not returned. Whether the men were strikers is not known.

FUSIONISTS' HOPES SHATTERED. Iwo Candidates Nominated in the

Seventh Kansas District. GREAT BEND, Kansas, April 18.—The tope of the fusionists in the "Big Seventh" congressional district have been shattered by the action of the democratic and populist congressional conventions. Both conventions adjourned at 12:30 this (Wednesday) morning, after rival candidates had been named. The democratic convention nominated Calude Duval of Hutchinson, a well-known commercial traveling man. The populists, nominated I. P. Campbell of Wichita. This action was taken after both

democratic vote in the next legislature should be cast for Simpson for United

The populist convention empowered executive committee to effect tive committee to effect a fusion with the consent of the convention's later, with the consent of the convention' candidate, and upon this action some hop of fusion is still based.

WIRE MILLS RESUME WORK. Nail Mills at Pittsburg Are Still Shut

Down. PITTSBURG, Pa., April 18.-Suspension of the wire mills of the steel and wire company mills in this district, over which there was much anxiety, has been brief The wire department of the works are in operation again, while the nail mills will probably be idle for some time. Orders have been issued for the resumption of the 9th street Braddock wire plant. All the wire drawing and rod departments are

to begin at once.

The nail mill is not expected to resume for several weeks, as it is claimed the nall market is stagnated. The Rankin mill will not close. It is reported at Brad-dock that the other mills would resume in a short time.

## FLOODS IN MISSISSIPPI

First Estimates of Losses Prove Alto-

gether Too Low.

JACKSON, Miss., April 18.—Damage in the state by floods during the past three days will, it is believed, greatly exceed first estimates. Many truck plantations are still submerged, and will be almost completely destroyed unless the waters soon recede. Traffic on the Illinois Central, the Alabama and Vicksburg and the Yazoo and Mississippi Valley is almost at a standstill, owing to washouts and missing bridges.

HAVE LIGHT PASSENGER LISTS.

Steamers for Europe Going Out With Half of Capacity. NEW YORK, April 18.-The passenger list of European steamships show that, in spite of the reports of the scarcity of accommodations, few of them carried anything like a full quota of passengers. In many instances steamships which have sailed this week have carried less than half of their full capacity of first-cabin passengers. The serious overcrowding is expected to occur on vessels on the return trip. It is said that there are few unreserved berths on any of the liners between June 1 and October 1 coming this way.

PORTRAITS OF THE DEWEYS.

Charles M. Schwab Makes Offer to Admiral and Wife. PITTSBURG, Pa., April 18.-Admiral tendered magnificent portraits in oil of

George Dewey and his wife have been of the Carnegie company, and M. Chartian, the famous French portrait painter, has heen commissioned by Mr. Schwab to do the work. The sittings, it is said, will comnence at once.

The price to be paid for the portraits could not be learned, but is estimated by local artists familiar with the figures obtained by the Frenchman on work he has done in this country to be not under \$5,000

N. A. Mosely Nominated ST. LOUIS, April 18.—The republicans of the fourteenth congressional district yes-terday nominated N. A. Mosely for Con-gress.

MR. ALLEN'S SUCCESSOR AT THE WHITE HOUSE

SELECTED FOR ASSISTANT SEC-RETARY OF THE NAVY.

Frank W. Hackett, Who Has Practiced Law for Years Here, Chosen on Secretary Long's Wish,

The vacancy in the office of assistant secetary of the navy caused by the appointment of Mr. Charles H. Alien as civil governor of Porto Rico will be filled by the appointment of Mr. Frank W. Hackett, for merly of Portsmouth, N. H., and for twenty-five years a resident of this city. Mr. Hackett is an intimate friend of Secretary



Mr. Frank W. Hackett. Photograph by Rice.

Long of many years' standing, and his appointment is mainly due to their close friendship and the Secretary's knowledge of his suitability for the office. It is understood that the President deferred entirely to the wishes of Secretary Long in this matter. The nomination of Mr. Hackett was sent to the Senate today.

Practiced Law Here for Years Having practiced law in this city for the past twenty-five years, Mr. Hackett is naturally very well known to the residents of Washington. He was born in 1841. and is consequently nearly sixty years of and is consequently nearly sixty years of age. He was graduated from Harvard University in 1861 and is a vice president of the local Alumni Association. He has a good war record, having entered the navy in 1852 as an acting assistant paymaster and serving creditably during the war of the rebellion until 1864, when he resigned to engage in the study and practice of law at Boston. Most of his naval service was on the North Atlantic station, where most of the sea fighting was done. He was with Lieutenant Commander Flusser when the latter was killed on the U. S. S. Miami the latter was killed on the U. S. S. Miami in the engagement with the ram Albemarle at Plymouth, N. C.

Secretary to Caleb Cushing. When Caleb Cushing was senior counse to the Geneva tribunal in 1872 Mr. Hackett Wichita. This action was taken after both conventions had appointed conference committees and these committees had failed to agree 1 pon the terms for fusion.

Ex-Congressman Jerry Simpson was not a candidete for the nomination. His political associates were active workers in behalf of Duval as a fusion candidate, with an understanding that he should have the populist support and that in return the democratic vote in the next legislature. served as his private secretary until ill-health compelled him to relinquish that ofbefore the courts and the departments. In 1877 he represented Portsmouth in the New Hampshire legislature. He is a man of high literary and legal ability, and is the author of several works. Although his experience n the navy has been somewhat limited, he has always shown a great interest in that arm of the service, and is probably as wel informed in regard to its condition and needs as any other civilian in the country. Mr. Hackett has accepted the appoint-Mr. Hackett has accepted the appointment with the understanding that his term ment with the understanding that his term will expire on the 4th of March next. He has declared that he could not afford to give any more time to public business, as he has considerable private work to look after which would have to be sacrificed by a longer continuance in the government's service. The appointment came as a complete surprise to him.

THE ARMY TRANSPORT SERVICE.

Notice Received of the Sumner's Ar-rival at Malta. The transport Kilpatrick has arrived at Havana, and the transport Sedgwick

eached New York this morning. Orders have been given to turn the trans ports Tartar and Westminster over to their owners, as the government has no longer need of their services. These vessels have been used by the quartermaster's department in the transportation of troops and supplies between San Francisco and Manila.

A telegram was received at the War De partment this morning saying that the transport Summer arrived at Malta this morning in good condition. She is carrying a large number of officers and recruits to

TAFT COMMISSION DEPARTS.

No Appointment to the Office of Sec retary Has Been Made.

A brief telegram was received at the War Department this morning announcing the departure of the members of the Philippine commission party from San Francisco ves terday on the transport Hancock. Inas much as the vacancy in the office of the secretary of the commission has not yet been filled, it is the impression of Secretary Root and other officials that the commission has decided to make the appointment from among the American residents of the Philippines. There is abundant material in the Philippines from which the selection may be made, and it is not probable that the commission will have much difficulty in filling the office soon after its arrival in Manile

The House District committee held orief session today, with Mr. Jenkins of Wisconsin in the chair.

House District Committee.

Mr. Otey called up a resolution asking the Commissioners if it would be in the interests of humanity to double the force of guards at the workhouse and reduce the hours of labor, and what would be the cost of the increase.

The resolution was favorably reported, and the committee then adjourned.

Plague Dying Out at Honolulu. Consul General Haywood, at Honolulu has informed the State Department, under date of April 10, that there have been no cases or deaths from bubonic plague at that port since March 31.

Secretary Hay in New York. Secretary and Mrs. Hay are in New York on private business which will occupy them for a day or two.

Pressure for Candidates for District

Recommendations Filed for Others Already Named.

APPROVED

Nearly all the candidates in the field for District Commissioner are continuing a more or less active fight at the White House, or at least their friends are doing so. The President will leave tomorrow, to be absent at least a week, and unless there is some sudden change in his intentions between now and tomorrow morning he will make no selections until after his return. Citizens of the District may, therefore, expect no official determination of the contest for ten days or two weeks.

The President this morning received a delegation of prominent colored men who added their influence to that which has already been exerted so strongly for Judge Scott. These men were H. C. Hawkins, C. C. Curtis, A. C. Bryan, J. Edwards, R. R. Bowie, J. B. Edelin, McKenzie Scott and W. H. Rider. The President likewise received a delega-

The President likewise received a delegation, representing labor organizations, which urged the selection of R. I. Fleming, Those present were E. J. Dakin, P. L. O'Brien, J. T. Barkman, John Miles, C. W. Emrich and C. A. Maidens. As representatives of labor interests, the delegation told the President that the nomination of Mr. Fleming would be satisfactory. To these men, as to the other callers, the President said he would take under consideration what had been presented.

Barry Bulkiey, one of the earnest supporters of W. S. Knox, filed additional recommendations for his candidate. Among these were the indorsements of the following local clergymen: Rev. R. P. Williams, Rev. Gustav Facius, Rev. W. G. Davenport. Rev. A. Homrighaus, Rev. P. A. Menzel, Rev. G. E. Maydwell, Rev. N. H. Miller, Rev. J. T. Heisse and Rev. H. Schroeder.

Delegations and Callers. Several hundred strangers visiting Wash-

ington were received by the President at

the request of congressmen interested in The base ball team of Harvard, accompanied by Representative Fitzgerald, had a oleasant introduction to the President. Senators Shoup, Deboe, Fairbanks, Fos-er, Davis and Bard talked with the President. Speaker Henderson was in conference with the President a long time, going over egislative conditions and discussing politics

Rev. Frank Bristol, pastor of the President's church, introduced to the President Rev. Mr. Robertson of Dublin, pastor of the church of which the lord mayor of the city is a member.

D. R. Hobart of New York, a brother of the late Vice President, was with the President a few minutes.

A. E. Randle introduced State Senator John D. Losskamp of Montana and daughter, Miss Florence Losekamp.

Rev. Frank Bristol, paster of the Presi-

The President has signed the following acts: Making appropriations for the legislative, executive and judicial expenses of the government for the fiscal year 1901; for the government for the ascal year 1801; for the relief of Clare M. Ashby, widow of W. W. Ashby, late United States consul at Colon; authorizing the printing of a special edition of the yearbook of the Department of Agriculture; to set apart a portion of the Arlington estate for experimental agricul-

Tolbert to Be Dismissed It is understood today that President Mc-Kinley, on the recommendation of Secretary Gage, will in a few days dismiss John R. Tolbert as collector of customs at Charleston, S. C., and appoint Robert M. dismissal of Tolbert, who has been one of the leaders of South Carolina republicans for years, is the result of the recent in-vestigation into charges that contraband whisky was stored in the customs house in Charleston, in violation of the dispensary, laws of the state. The state constables believed that whisky was being kept in the customs house and so charged. When they reported the mat-ter, and prior to the arrival of a special dismissal of Tolbert, who has been one of

ter, and prior to the arrival of a special agent in Charleston, a number of kegs which are thought to have contained whisky and rum were poured into the harbor, but the kegs could not be gotten out before the arrival of the special ag from the treasury, and furnished st

Today's Nominations. The President today sent the following nominations to the Senate:

evidence.

Frank W. Hackett of New Hampshire, to e assistant secretary of the navy. Robert M. Wallace, to be collector of cus-toms at Charleston, S. C. First Lieut. D. S. Sturgis, 6th Artillery.

to be a captain. Movements of Naval Vessels.

The Potomac, as to whose whereabouts some doubt was felt, arrived safely at Boson this morning from Nipe, Cuba, The Wilmington, which has been undergoing extensive repairs at Montevideo, sailed yesterday for Rio on her way to join Admiral Schley's squadron. The tug Osceola will be put in commission at Boston today.

Personal Mention.

Charles Moore, clerk of the Senate Disrict committee, was called to Detroit today by the death of his brother-in-law, Sullivan M. Cutcheon of that city.

For an Isolation Ward.

The House committee on appropriations today favorably reported the Senate resoludon appropriating \$1,000 for the isolation ward of Garfield Hospital.

If He Runs for Congress. Representative Cowherd of Missouri was sked today about the rumor that Mr. Webster Davis may run for Congress in Mr. Cowherd's district.

"I rather imagine," replied Mr. Cowherd,
"that if he does he will be between the
devil and the deep sea' with his policy of
sympathy for the Boers and bullets for
the Fillpinos."

Army Orders. Capt. J. H. Culver, 32d Volunteer Infantry, now in this city on sick leave of absence, has been ordered to appear before special board of medical officers, of which Maj. Walter Reed, surgeon, is presi-

dent, for examination as to his fitness to perform the duties of his rank.
Capt. William A. Burnside, assistant quartermaster, U. S. V. (first lieutemant, 14th Infantry), has been honorably discharged from the volunteer service.
Lieut. C. W. Otwell, 7th Infantry, has been ordered to Seattle for duty with Company G. 7th Infantry, under orders to take station in Alaska.
Lieut. C. C. Todd. 20th Infantry, at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, has been ordered to the United States General Hospital, at Washington barracks, for surgical treatment. dent, for examination as to his fitness to

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